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Leadership with an Eye to the Future

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Chairman Julius Genachowski Commissioner Michael J. Copps Commissioner Robert M. McDowell Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

FCC 445 12th Street SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

I-LEAD is a community-based nonprofit organization that works to improve local quality of life by helping to strengthen citizens as effective community leaders. Focusing on Pennsylvania's most challenged communities with respect to economic success, educational achievement, health status, and safety, our vision is to increase human capacity in these communities, to enable individuals to live up to their potential, and their communities to benefit from the increased capacity

One of those concerns is the availability of advanced mobile broadband services throughout the Commonwealth. As you understand better than I do, advanced broadband is a fundamental requirement for economic growth, which Pennsylvania clearly needs. It is that need which prompts me to write on behalf of Equality Pennsylvania to support the AT&T/T-Mobile merger (Docket No. 11-65). We are eager to see Pennsylvania communities get the benefits of the advanced wireless broadband service that AT&T has committed to provide if the merger is approved.

As a group not unfamiliar with discrimination, we appreciate the way the AT&T plan does not discriminate against small towns and low-income areas. It would deliver advanced wireless broadband access to more areas across the country, providing service to more areas in most need of the economic stimulus of this technology. For the sake of all Pennsylvanians we urge you to approve this merger.

Sincerely

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